**REMARKS** 

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Claims 14-27 are pending in the application.

A substitute specification has been included, both in a marked up version as well as a clean version.

Replacement drawings have also been provided, in both a marked up version as well as a clean version, in order to incorporate changes/corrections to the reference numbers for both Figs. 3 and 4.

Claims from the literal translation have been replaced by claims drafted in conformity with U.S. Patent practice.

The application in its amended state is believed to be in condition for allowance. However, should the Examiner have any comments or suggestions, or wish to discuss the merits of the application, the undersigned would very much welcome a telephone call in order to expedite placement of the application into condition for allowance.

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